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The President's Message

by Adolph Johnson

This being the two hundredth birthday of our nation, we pause to reflect back to our nation's birth. From a humble beginning, fighting for the rights of free men, a nation — the mightiest of all nations — emerged. A nation made great for only one reason, her people. The single most important element on which our nation was founded, a foundation which has never faltered, is the perseverance and convictions of her people.

With this great heritage in mind we look at this our bicentennial year with glad hearts and a sense of appreciation for the honor and privilege of being part of this great country.

PIONEER VILLAGE

As President of the SUP, it has been my privilege to participate in many special events to commemorate our nation's birthday. We were fortunate to have the grand opening of Pioneer Village at Lagoon during the bicentennial year. Appropriately, the village is dedicated to the preservation of our pioneer heritage.

Our pioneer ancestors would have been very proud to have witnessed the fine tribute President Spencer W. Kimball delivered at the dedication of Pioneer Village. It was a special occasion to have Prophet Spencer W. Kimball, other apostles and the Patriarch Eldred G. Smith with us, as well as other distinguished guests.

We know the village will continue to grow and serve as a missionary tool for the Church.

It was truly the perfect way to spend Memorial Day.

We want to thank Peter Freed and his associates for the beautiful village and for their cooperation and thoughtfulness to the SUP.

We also want to extend our thanks to Dr. Orson Wright and the Pioneer Village committee for all their efforts.

A special thanks to Horace and Ethel Sorensen for all they have contributed to the village.

1976 ENCAMPMENT

The Provo chapters are diligently working in preparation for our annual encampment. The

beautiful campus at the Brigham Young University has been chosen for this event.

Plan your vacation for August 12-13-14 and join us in activities, elections and the annual pioneer story contest. (See Pioneer Story Contest.)

ARCHITECTS HONORED

Plans for a new home for the Sons of the Utah Pioneers are currently underway. We are fortunate to have two SUP members who are architects, Glen Lloyd and Ken Stevenson, who were chosen to design the new building. These two outstanding men were recently honored at Hotel Utah at the annual awards banquet of the Utah Masonry Research and Promotion Group. Ken received recognition for his design of a private home and Glen for the Union 11th LDS Ward building. We congratulate them on this accomplishment.

With each special SUP event, our minds and hearts are filled with gratitude and love for our pioneer heritage. May each member become involved in our SUP activities held to celebrate our bicentennial year; a year that should be filled with renewed thankfulness and pride for the great country we live in. As we reflect our thoughts to the progress our nation and its people have made in the past two hundred years, it is with great anticipation that we look forward to this nation's forthcoming years, for this truly is a country under God, with liberty and justice for all.

Rush Award Nominations

Individuals or chapters may now make nominations for the following: Outstanding Individual, Outstanding Couple and Outstanding Chapter, according to Verl Petersen, national vice president and chairman of the committee.

You may mail your suggestions to Verl Petersen at Brigham City or to SUP headquarters at 2998 Connor Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109. Include your reasons. Deadline is July 15. Winners will be recongized at the national encampment in August.

Last Call For Story Contest

The National SUP invites entries in the 1976 pioneer story contest.

Each entry must be an original account of a true pioneer experience or biography, not exceeding 1200 words in length, and should be typewritten double-spaced on one side of the paper only. Entries will become the property of the SUP and will not be returned. Those intended for the Junior Division of the contest must list the age of the writer.

The contest deadline will be July 15.

The following awards are provided: Senior Division (18 years of age and older) — three medals; Junior Division (11 through 17 years of age) — one medal.

Entries should be mailed to the Chairman, Oliver R. Smith, at 970 North 1200 East, Provo, Utah 84601, or to the National Society SUP, 2998 Connor Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109.

BICENTENNIAL TREK INTO EARLY WESTERN HISTORY IS READY

You may now make reservations for the bicentennial trek covering the entire route of the U.S. Mormon Battalion, according to Col. Fred M. Reese, national commander.

The group will leave August 28 in charter buses and return September 11 after visiting numerous truly historic areas of Western America.

Members and families of SUP and USMB are welcome.

Century Cinema Corporation, with whom USMB has entered into a contract to produce a motion picture on the Mormon Battalion, will be traveling with us to take pictures of our activities and of the many historical sites. These will be used for a documentary to be shown by one of the T.V. networks.

The exciting travel schedule follows:

August 27: Rendezvous at Utah State Capitol Building.

August 28: Depart from Salt Lake City (Lewis Brothers Bus Depot, 549 West 500 South) and travel 394 miles to Casper, Wyoming, by way of Ft. Bridger, Devils Gate and Independence Rock.

August 29: Ride 453 miles to Grand Island, Nebraska, and see enroute Ft. Laramie, Rebecca Winters Grave and Chimney Rock.

August 30: Go 156 miles to Omaha, Nebraska, and enjoy Mormon Bridge, Winter Quarters Cemetery, activities and program.

August 31: Bus 462 miles to Dodge City, Kansas, via Council Bluffs, Ft. Leavenworth (flag ceremony, deathplace of Col. James Allen) and Great Bend, and see Boot Hill Museum and Cemetery.

September 1: After 281 miles, arrive at Pueblo, Colorado, for activities and program, as well as Bent's Fort.

September 2: Then 282 miles to Santa Fe, New Mexico, which is the oldest capital in U.S.; more activities and program.

September 3: Bus 503 miles to Douglas, Arizona. Enroute, see highway monument, Albuquerque, Truth

or Consequences, Top of the Rocky Mountains, San Bernardino Ranch. More activities and program.

September 4: Easy 125 miles to Tucson, Arizona, passing gravesite of teamster, Bullfight area, Boot Hill Cemetery and Ft. Tucson with activities and program.

September 5: Then 298 miles to El Centro, California, via Gila River, Colorado River, Sand Dunes and activities and program.

September 6: Go 171 miles to San Diego, California, and see highway marker, Butterfield Stage Station, Box Canyon, Warner Springs Ranch, State Park Old Town, Ft. Stockton, Presidio Park and Mormon Battalion Visitors Center, with activities and program.

September 7: Roll 135 miles to Los Angeles, California, and see Ft. Moore Monument and Disneyland.

September 8: Travel north 354 miles to Sacramento, California, and remain two nights.

September 9: See Sutters Mill and State Park in Coloma; enjoy activities and program.

September 10: Bus 303 miles to Winnemucca, Nevada, via Placerville, California, Mormon Emigrant Trail, Tragedy Springs, and Carson City, Nevada.

September 11: Go 372 miles to Salt Lake City; end of the trek.

Please plan to take your uniforms and pioneer clothing (wool pants, shirt, boots and vest). Ladies, take long pioneer dresses.

Your autos can be left at Lewis Brothers Bus Depot parking lot.

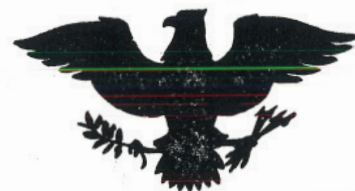
All those traveling by their own campers or mobile homes must register and give report on the number in their party.

Bus Reservation (per person) — \$130.00.

Motel Reservation (single person @ \$16.00) — \$224.00.

Motel Reservation (two per room @ \$12.00 each) — \$168.00.

Credit will be given whenever better arrangements are made.



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Phone No. _____

PLEASANT ACTIVITIES ARRANGED AT PROVO ENCAMPMENT

Thursday, August 12: Registration from 2:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Step-down Lounge, Ernest L. Wilkinson Center.

After registration and location in housing, return to registration headquarters for a tour of the campus. Visit the Planetarium, the Life-Science Museum, BYU's Motion Picture Studio, the new Law Building, the Library, etc.

7:30 p.m. — Welcome by President Dallin Oaks and Mayor Russell Grange at the BYU Campus. "Through Camera Eyes," Nelson B. Wadsworth.

9:00 p.m. — Square Dancing at the Heritage Halls patio.

Friday, August 13: 10:00 a.m. — Leave campus for a visit to Camp Floyd via the Hutchings Museum at Lehi. A bus ticket is required and a box lunch and drink is available.

Or, ride the "Heber Creeper" train through Provo Canyon (price of \$5.75 includes bus to railroad depot and tour of scenic, historic Heber Valley), with a noon dinner at beautiful Homestead at Midway.

Or, attend Endowment Sessions in Provo Temple. Sessions will be held every 20 minutes from 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays through Fridays, and on Saturdays from 5:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m. — "Courageous Women of Nauvoo," presented by Alvin G. Pack and Company at the Provo Ninth Ward Chapel (on the corner of 7th North and 6th East).

Saturday, August 14: 7:30 a.m. — National Officers breakfast and Board Meeting will be held in the Wilkinson Center President's Room.

10:00 a.m. — National elections and business meeting for members.

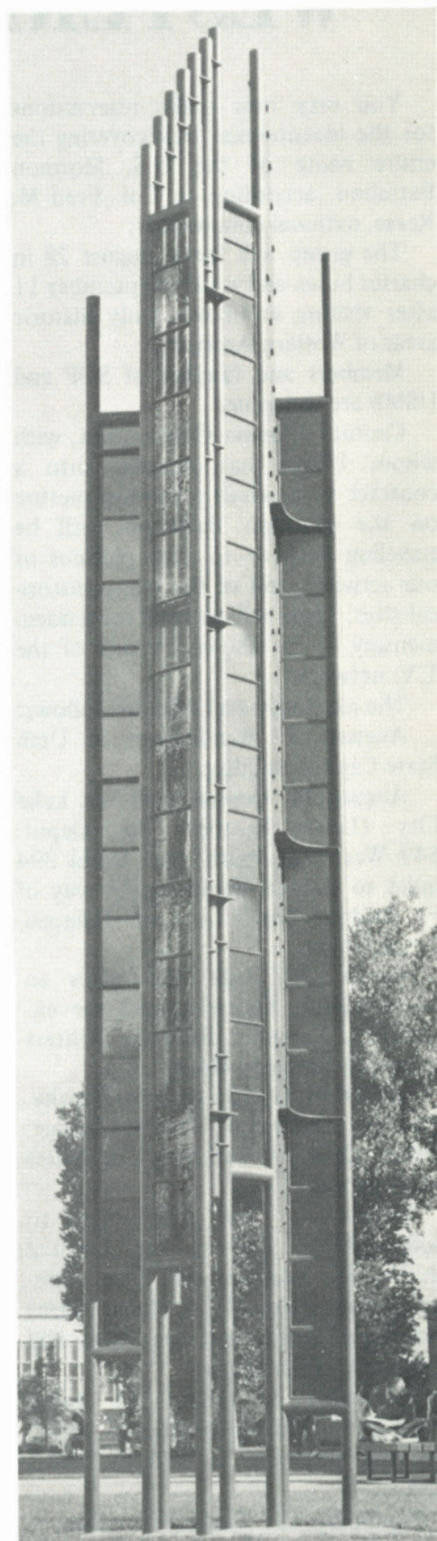
10:00 a.m. — Ladies Program followed by luncheon, in the Wilkinson Center Skyroom.

2:00 p.m. — "The Forgotten Friar" (Francisco Dominguez), by Dr. Ted Warner of the BYU History Department.

6:00 p.m. — President's Banquet, Program and Ball in the Wilkinson Center Ballroom.



One of the bells for the Carillon Tower.



"THE WINDOWS OF HEAVEN"

A thirty-foot symbolic arrangement of steel and stained glass donated to BYU by the students as a Centennial gift.

— photos courtesy BYU

Select Housing — How To Make Own Reservations

Available housing in Provo for the summer encampment:

Motel 6, 1600 South University Ave., phone: 377-4666.

1 person, double bed \$9.65
2 persons, one double bed . . . 11.80
2 persons, separate beds 12.88
4 persons, two double beds . . . 15.04

Royal Inn, 55 East 1230 North, phone: 373-0800.

1 person, double bed 14.00
1 person, queen bed 16.00
1 person, king bed 17.00
2 people, double bed 16.00
2 people, queen bed 18.00
2 people, king bed 20.00
4 people, two double beds . . . 21.00

Colony Inn, with kitchens, 1360 South University Avenue; phone: 374-6800.

Queen and hide-a-bed in all rooms.
Two people (children under 16 free) 16.00
Four adults (children under 16 free) 20.00

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Phone: 375-2994

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Additional people 50 each

BYU CAMPUS HOUSING

For on-campus reservations, contact: BYU General Services, Liddiard House, BYU, Provo, Utah 84601; or phone 374-1211, ext. 3866.

Deseret Towers: \$3.75 per person. Towels and linen furnished. Two people per room.

Halls and rooms are completely carpeted. There are no individual bathrooms, but one for the men, and one for the women, nearby.

Heritage Halls: 17 apartments will be available on a first come, first served basis. Three rooms in each apartment, with a double bed in each. \$11.50 daily per apartment. \$10.00 deposit will be required and refunded if no damage. The \$10.00 deposit and \$11.50 per day, per apartment, will reserve one of these as long as available.

If additional information is needed, contact Carr F. Greer at 670 North 600 East, Provo, Utah 84601; phone 377-8975.

RESERVATION FORM

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS, BYU CAMPUS AUGUST 12-13-14

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES	cost per person	no. of reserva- tions	total charge
Thursday, August 12: 2:00 - 9:00 p.m. Registration in Step-down Lounge, Ernest L. Wilkinson Center. Members only — By August 1	\$2.00	_____	\$_____
Received after August 1	3.00	_____	_____
Friday, August 13: 10:00 a.m. Leave campus for visit to Camp Floyd via Hutchings Museum at Lehi. Bus Ticket.	1.50	_____	_____
Box Lunch and Drink.	1.70	_____	_____
or			
Ride the "Heber Creeper" Train trip through Provo Canyon (includes bus to R.R. depot and tour of scenic, historic Heber Valley)	5.75	_____	_____
Noon dinner at beautiful Homestead, Midway	3.50	_____	_____
Saturday, August 14: 7:30 a.m. National Officers breakfast and Board Meeting — Wilkinson Center, President's Room	2.25	_____	_____
10:00 a.m. Ladies Program followed by luncheon, Wilkinson Center Skyroom	2.25	_____	_____
6:00 p.m. President's Banquet, program and ball, Wilkinson Center Ballroom	6.00	_____	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

Return application form to Grant Ekins, 160 South 300 East, Provo, Utah 84601. Make check payable to BY Chapter Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Name _____

Address _____

P.S. Don't forget to make your own housing reservations!



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— a BYU photo

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE VI. 1. The elective officers of the National Society Sons of Utah Pioneers shall consist of:

A President

A President-elect

Vice Presidents without number as to seniority to be elected at the annual meeting of said society from areas designated by the membership at the annual meeting and approved by the Executive Board, to include Vice Presidents who are representatives of the U.S. Mormon Battalion, and of such other associate groups as may be approved by the Executive Board.

By Amending ARTICLE IX, Paragraph 3 (a) as follows:

(a) Qualification of membership shall be based on the following:

ANCESTRAL: Applicant shall be of good moral character, have reached his eighteenth birthday and have at least one ancestor who came to Utah or who was

born in Utah prior to May 10, 1869, which marked the completion of the transcontinental railroad and the end of the pioneer period.

ASSOCIATE: Applicant shall be of good moral character; shall have reached his eighteenth birthday, and have a desire to help, honor and preserve the memory of that valiant group who founded Utah during the period prior to May 10, 1869 who does not have a pioneer ancestor. He shall have the right to become a delegate and to vote at elections and to hold office in the association.

3. (a) (1) Junior Membership may be approved by the Executive Board as it deems advisable. Qualification shall conform to qualification of other members as stated in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. He shall not be under 14 years of age.



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UTAH QUEENS

THE COVER PHOTO introduces the days of '47 Queen, Cindy Lue Merrill, center, with Heather Egan, left, as 1st attendant and Maridean Bodell as 2nd attendant. These choice girls were selected under the direction of Mary Peterson, capable DUP chairman of the Queens committee for the past 3 years. Cover photo by Hal Rumel.

MISS UTAH, MARY ANN DRECKSEL, another winner, competed for Miss USA at Niagara Falls as part of the Miss Universe contest. She placed 1st in two categories: most beautiful eyes, and best in evening gown. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Drecksels, Salt Lake City, Utah.

ANDREW JENSON, NOTED LDS HISTORIAN is honored by having two descendants among these. Both Mary Ann Drecksels and Maridean Bodell are his great, great granddaughters. Incidentally, Harold H. Jenson, 81, former national SUP president and historian, is a son of Andrew Jenson.



Debbie Ann Drecksels was chosen to represent Utah for Miss USA at Niagara Falls.

UTAH COUNTY Welcomes Sons of Utah Pioneers

FOR THEIR ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

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Sons of Utah Pioneers' Pioneer Village

GRAND OPENING AND DEDICATION

Pioneer Village, an historic collection of buildings and artifacts, was dedicated May 31 at Lagoon by President Spencer W. Kimball before a crowd of more than 1500 people.

Prior to the dedication program, President Kimball accompanied SUP President Adolph Johnson, Dr. Orson D. Wright, chairman of the Village committee, Elder Eldred G. Smith and Peter Freed who is president of Lagoon Corporation on a revealing tour. He remarked that he was amazed at the many buildings and artifacts so beautifully displayed. They recalled scenes from his childhood.

Other general authorities in attendance included Elders Gordon B. Hinckley, Henry D. Taylor and William G. Bangerter. Other important people in attendance, with their wives, were Horace Sorensen, D. Arthur Haycock, Stake Pres. James V. Hansen, Davis County Commissioner Stan Smoot, James Moyle of the Parks and Recreation department, Mayor Dan Gregory of Farmington and Boyd Jensen, Lagoon manager. Mrs. Mildred Miles Dillman, donor of the American Indian display was introduced by Peter Freed.

Also speaking to the vast assemblage, Peter Freed said the Village belongs "to all of us who are part of this pioneer heritage. We must cherish and preserve it for future generations."

Admission to the Village is free.



Host Peter Freed guides Pres. Spencer W. Kimball and Dr. Orson D. Wright through the Carriage House.



Pausing inside the Rock Church at Pioneer Village are Sr. Kimball, Peter Freed, Dr. Orson D. Wright and President Kimball.



Pres. Kimball plays two hymns on the ancient church organ.



Stopping to comment on the attractiveness of the Village are, l to r: Sr. Kimball, Pres. Kimball, Elma Johnson, Dr. Wright, Peter Freed, Adolph Johnson, a stray photographer and Pat Wright.

REMARKS BY DR. ORSON D. WRIGHT Committee Chairman

"The dedication and use of this inspiring village will provide an instrument, lest we forget, to cause us to remember the consecration of effort, integrity and example of our pioneer ancestors, and it will remind us of our singular heritage and the great blessings they have given us. They, like our nation's forefathers, pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor.

"Our dedication could well emulate the great courage and example which they set for us.

"Who can deny that the history, integrity and heritage of Pioneer Village has been marvelously preserved? Each donor must be proud to have his artifacts so well preserved and displayed in a non-commercial setting. To these many donors, we express our deepest appreciation for their helping to make this village the historic and treasured site that it is.

"The SUP express their sincere appreciation to the Lagoon Corporation for the excellent manner in which they have reconstructed and preserved the village.

"A special note must be made of a couple without whose kindness all of this would have been impossible. The original Pioneer Village was built and its displays collected by Horace and Ethel Sorensen. With their enthusiasm and hard work, the village grew in size and in renown. The village was deeded to the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers by the Sorensen's in 1954.

"We will ever be grateful to the Sorensen's for their generosity to the Sons of Utah Pioneers and for their continued kindness and cooperation in the transfer of the village to Farmington.

"When the village is finally enlarged, two memorials will be placed therein. The first will be to Horace and Ethel Sorensen, and the second to the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

"The great thrill of this dedication is the presence of President Spencer

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W. Kimball. President Kimball is an honorary life member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Despite a more than full schedule, he graciously consented to give the dedicatory remarks and prayer. We are grateful to have him and Sister Kimball and family members here today.

"Now I testify to you that the manifest guidance and inspiration of our Heavenly Father has been felt in the transfer of the village. We will ever be grateful for this guidance.

"What does it all mean and what is our challenge? Simply this. This village is a symbol of the sacrifice, dedication, courage, and the character of these heralded pioneers. As our pioneer ancestors sacrificed and pioneered in the past, so must we sacrifice to pioneer and progress today and in the future. This village is dedicated to this principle. May those after us call us pioneers and call us blessed because of that which we do for them. May this village stand as a memorial to pioneers everywhere of all ages."



Dr. Wright and President Kimball visit while waiting for the carriage. Sr. Kimball, Sr. Wright and Sr. Johnson are on the right.



Pres. and Sr. Spencer W. Kimball are aboard the carriage preparing to leave the area of the Rock Church.



Left to right are SUP National President Adolph Johnson, Dr. Wright, Pres. and Sr. Kimball, and Boyd Jensen, Manager of Lagoon.

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NEWS A

BRIGHAM YOUNG

The Brigham Young chapter held their monthly meeting on May 27. Regular meetings will now recess until next September. However, the old hive will be buzzing with activity inasmuch as we are anxiously looking forward to hosting the big Encampment in August.

The May meeting will, no doubt, be long remembered for a number of reasons. President Adolph Johnson, his wife, George C. Lloyd, Executive Secretary, and his wife were guests at the meeting, which gave us all a very thrilling experience from the first to the very close of the meeting.

There were 76 in attendance at the meeting.

Following the dinner, Alma King, general chairman for the encampment, gave a report of what was going to happen at the Encampment and aroused our interest.

The guest speaker for the evening was Mary Bullock giving a very interesting, informative, and dynamic report of her work in Mexico, South and Central America, where she did very extensive research.

Her ability to achieve recognition and receive permission to study, film old records, and consult with people of importance was certainly impressive. Through her efforts much valuable material will be made available to the Genealogical Library.

President Johnson spoke to the group and thrilled them with his appeal to support the organization, thus contributing their personal worthwhileness to the entire membership.

Tremendous effort has been, and will be continued until the finish of

SOUTH DAVIS

In reponse to our SUP project and the further impetus from the Governor of our State to plant trees this bicentennial year, the Horace P. Beesley family has purchased and planted 2,000 assorted trees — including evergreens and numerous shade trees. The trees have been planted on the family tract near the "Point of the Mountain" in Utah County. When they reach a few years of growth they will be plainly visible from the freeway.

Our members in the South Davis chapter have planted a combined total of 2,365 trees.

The poem "REMEMBERING" by George Cavanaugh is a very worthy effort from George even though his parents pioneered in South Dakota. He is a stalwart in our area as a churchman, a contributor to the community with his business, Mrs. Cavanaugh's Candy, and a loyal Constitutional American.

the Encampment, to make it the most outstanding of all.

Full details will very soon be in the possession of your local president. May we suggest that you obtain a sheet from him, study it carefully, and fill it in very soon.

For housing reservations, see the article in this issue of the *Pioneer* and make the arrangements of your choice.

Why not select Provo for your summer vacation area and enjoy the many worthwhile activities that will be available to you?

— D. L. McConkie.

MT. OGDEN

About 30 men and women were present at the May dinner, which was held in the Mansion House. The group was very congenial.

Speaker was Dr. Levi Peterson, Professor of English at Weber State College. His subject was "Meaning of Wilderness," illustrated with slides.

— O. Whitney Young,
national vice president

PIONEER CHAPTER

Milton Bisseger, former member of the Central Intelligence Agency, shared some of his experiences with us. This was a timely subject of special interest to those who attended the June luncheon.

A National Trek of the Mormon Battalion will commence on August 28 for 13 days. Members will go by bus from Salt Lake to Council Bluffs, then trace the route of the famed Mormon Battalion march. Contact Chapter Officers if you would like to join in.



Elder L. Tom Perry, chairman of LDS Bicentennial Committee.



ND VIEWS



Mildred Miles Dillman, donor of Indian museum, poses in costume at Lagoon with Harold H. Jenson.



Photo shop at Village.

Newest Life Members

LLOYD STRASBURG joined the Lehi chapter in April 1976, not on a yearly basis but as a life member. His earliest progenitor is Grandfather John Taylor who came to Utah in 1852. Louis Strasburg, grandfather, had experiences in the '50's with Johnston's Army and other ancestors were listed among the Handcart pioneers.

ROBERT B. JACKSON of Ogden, Utah, is a member of the Mount Ogden chapter and applied for a life certificate in May 1976. He is a graduate engineer of the University of Utah and is now president and general manager of the Classic Construction Company, a firm specializing in construction of fine homes. He is a high counselor in the Weber Heights Stake of Ogden, Utah.

HAROLD W. JOHNSON has been a member of SUP since 1935 when he was a charter member in the Wilford Woodruff Camp of Salt Lake Waterloo Ward. He has been active since that time in the Salt Lake and Temple Quarrie Chapters. For 30 years he preached temporal salvation as a representative of the Metropolitan Insurance Company. His spiritual activities include working with young people and a five-year term as Bishop. At present he works in the group leader-

ship of Ward High Priests and is interested in activities of senior citizens.

GLEN ASHTON LLOYD joined the Salt Lake chapter of SUP in 1963, later transferring to the Pioneer chapter. He is president-elect of this progressive group of young men. He is a graduate of architecture of Washington University, now heads his own company, is listed in A.I.A. and includes churches, apartments and schools among his designs. He loves music, works with the youth and at present is a member of the High Council of the Salt Lake Stake.

SHERMAN C. YOUNG joins other members of the illustrious Young family in the SUP organization. He received his life certificate and pin at the May 24, 1976 meeting of the Sugar House chapter. Insurance is his life's work. He heads his own organization, Sherman Young Company, and has earned the CLU designation through his industry.

ROY W. DOXEY, a teacher in the school of religion at Brigham Young University, applied for a life membership at the May meeting of the B.Y. chapter. He is a prolific writer on religious themes and is well occupied as a Regional Representative of the Council of the Twelve, L.D.S. Church. He becomes Life Member No. 192.

— G. C. L.



SUP Leaders See Homes Dedicated

On Friday afternoon, May 28, we began our journey to St. George. Elder L. Tom Perry had extended an invitation to us to attend the dedication ceremony of the Brigham Young Winter Home and the Jacob Hamblin Home. We traveled with President-elect Wesley Reese and his wife Barbara. We spent Friday night in Cedar City.

On Saturday morning we continued to the scene of the Mountain Meadow Massacre. Our next stop was in beautiful Pine Valley where the White Chapel stands.

We arrived in St. George at noon. The red mountain area and serene valley surrounded the stately St. George Temple. What a beautiful and restful sight.

The first meeting was in the well-preserved and marvelous St. George Tabernacle. The program went as follows:

Presiding: Elder L. Tom Perry, Council of the Twelve Apostles, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Conducting: Melvin Truman Bowler, Chairman, St. George Area Public Commu-

ications Council, President of St. George East Stake.

Hymn: "They the Builders of the Nation," by the Combined Choir, St. George and St. George East Stakes; M. Michael Cottam, Conductor; Chris Barlow, Organist.

Invocation: Marvin R. Curtis, Great-great-grandson of Brigham Young, Regional Representative of the Twelve.

"America - Our Heritage": Combined Choir.

Remarks: George S. Haslam, Coordinator of Visitors Centers; Ernest Eberhard, Jr., President, Utah Salt Lake Mission, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; and Donald Ellsworth, Director, St. George Visitors Center.

"The Road Not Taken" (from *Frostiana*): Combined Choir.

Dedicatory Address: Elder L. Tom Perry.

"Come, Come, Ye Saints": Combined Choir.

Benediction: John R. Maestas, Chairman, American Indian Education Department, Brigham Young University.

Following this program, dedicatory prayers were offered at the Brigham Young home and the Jacob Hamblin home.

After the meetings were completed we traveled to Littlefield, Arizona, on

the new Virgin River road and back to St. George for supper. We then continued on to the Silver Reef Monument where many beautiful homes are being constructed. Our next stop was Kolob Canyon. This mountain area was so striking to us with the rock canyon and green pine trees, especially at sundown.

At Cedar City we again stopped to contact the SUP officers.

We arrived home about 1:00 a.m. on Sunday morning. It was indeed a pleasant drive. We had good company, beautiful scenery and an enjoyable time.

Wes and Barbara stayed Sunday night with us, ate breakfast and then continued on their way home to Logan.

We would like to thank Elder Perry for the invitation. It was a choice experience to visit these historic places. We were fortunate to meet Sister Perry and wish them continued happiness.

- by President Adolph and Elma Johnson.

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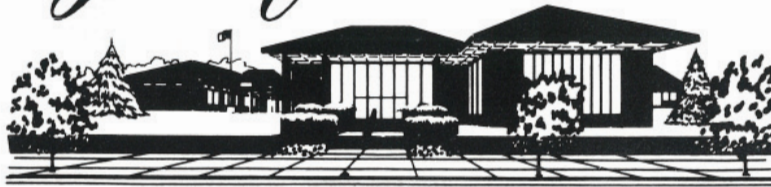


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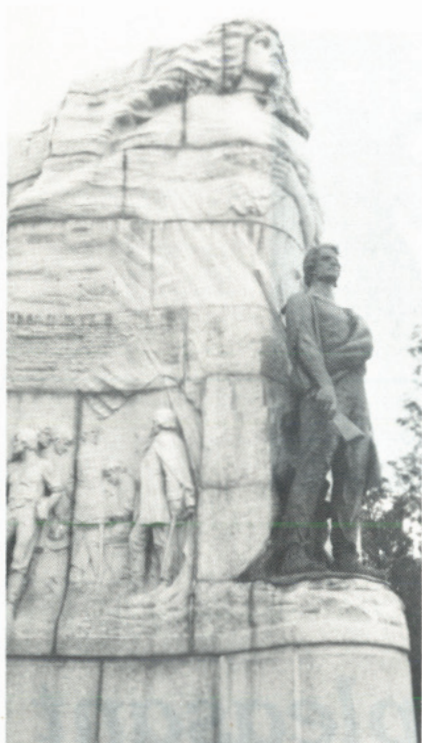
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Mormon Battalion monument on the Utah State Capitol grounds.

A BUSY MEMORIAL DAY
COMMENDATION is due Co.D. of the USMB for their extra effort in attending the Memorial Day sunrise service at the Mormon Battalion monument at the State Capitol grounds. These men from the Logan area were the color guard for the occasion. Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones was in charge of arrangements.

Dr. Robert W. Jensen introduced the guest speaker J.R. Bingham who made informative remarks.

National President Adolph Johnson and wife Elma attended this SUP community ceremony and then took the crowd up to Lagoon for the dedication program of Pioneer Village. President-elect D. Wesley Reese also attended both events.

COMPANY A

Oleta and Ernest Clayton presented a close-up of Paul the apostle in both word and picture at the June meeting of Co.A. It was greatly appreciated.

MANTI PAGEANT

Sheldon Brewster has arranged for two trips to see the great pageant at Manti. Phone him and let him know which date you wish to go. The bus is scheduled and is very reasonable.

ELIAS L. DAY HONORED

A quaking aspen tree was planted in honor of Elias L. Day, prominent attorney, former Utah legislator and executive officer of Mormon Battalion at the inauguration of the Service Grove of Memory Grove in City Creek Canyon recently. Mr. Day was a Lt. Col. in both the Mormon Battalion and the Utah State Guard. In 1963 he was named Mr. Mining Man of Utah. Mrs. Earl Lundquist of the County Bicentennial Horizon Committee welcomed the guests.

GOLDEN WEDDING

D. Crawford and Julia Houston were recently honored by their family with a private celebration in observance of their fiftieth anniversary. They are the parents of three, the grandparents of eight and the great grandparents of four.

Mr. Houston will be remembered as a former popular national SUP president.



Harold H. Jenson examines ancient figurine found in archeological ruins by lecturer Wayne Hamby.



Ernest and Oleta Melville Clayton gave a beautiful program to MB on the life of Paul.



Capable color guard from Logan perform at State Capitol May 31.

BREWSTER RECOGNIZED

Sheldon Brewster was honored by Salt Lake's seniors for his outstanding work as chairman of the S.L. Senior Citizens Center and in aiding in raising money to get a bus for them.

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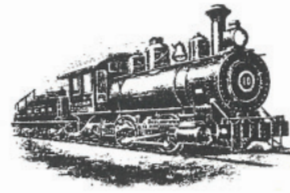
Elder Benson is Sunrise Speaker

At 7:00 a.m. on the 24th of July, a Sunrise Service will be held in the Salt Lake Tabernacle. President Ezra Taft Benson of the Council of the Twelve will be the speaker. Music will be provided by the Mormon Youth Symphony and Chorus with Robert C. Bowden, musical director and conductor, and Roy M. Darley, organist; while the flag ceremony will be presented by the Mormon Battalion.

This choice event is an outstanding feature of the Days of '47, and is sponsored by the Pioneer chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers. Last year's attendance was estimated at 3500 people. Kenneth M. Smith is committee chairman for the Sunrise Service.

Following the Sunrise Service, members of the Pioneer Club and their families will enjoy breakfast together at Lindsey Gardens Bowery at 9th Avenue and "M" Street.

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I love this great America, the land of liberty
For I know the price of freedom countless others paid for me
Do we hear their call to carry on and serve as valiantly
THIS GREAT AMERICA!

(Chorus)

May all men be united by the bonds of brotherhood
May we learn to love each other, for in every man is good
Let us live in peace upon the land where men of valor stood
THIS GREAT AMERICA!

(Chorus)

Alternate 3rd Verse (slower, with feeling)

I love God's great America, all equal in His sight
May we be as one in spirit as we reach up for the right
7 And may we have humility to match our power and might
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Christian John Swaner, A Pioneer Builder

by Dean K. Swaner, a grandson

Christian John Swaner was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, July 30, 1844. He was the youngest of three sons of Jorgen (Jensen) Swaner and Julian Johan Loween; there was also a sister.

Little Christian lived in the city of Copenhagen with his family. As a little lad he loved to hear his father tell of the time when he had served in the Danish Army. There had been so many men bearing the name of "Jensen" he had been given the privilege of choosing a surname for himself. He went on to explain to the lad that he immediately thought of the old family residence known as *The Great White Swan*. So he wrote "Swaner."

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To this name he would honor and bring respect as long as he should live. Another requirement was to learn a good trade and learn it well. He chose to be a designer and builder of fine homes and buildings, and he proved to be excellent.

When Christian was eleven years old the family was visited by the missionaries and became converts of the L.D.S. Church. In time, enough money was raised and the family set out for America.

The long trek to Utah was by ox team. They arrived in the Salt Lake Valley September 7, 1855, with a new name and a new country to live in.

HELPED TO BUILD TABERNACLE

As Christian grew into manhood he became a true western pioneer. Following the trades of his father as an architect and builder, he helped design and build much of the interior of the Mormon Tabernacle, including the benches, front section, balconies and pillar supports.

He designed and built many of our early pioneer homes, business buildings and churches here in the valley.

In 1864 he met Emma Louise Burnett and was married to her in the old Endowment House. To this union was born five sons and one daughter:

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An Autobiography

ANCESTRY

Darwin Wesley Reese, the eldest of five children, was born to Darwin and Blanch Reese in Logan, Utah, on December 30, 1925.

I had a rich pioneer heritage. My great grandfather, John Davis Rees, was born in Wales, and after he joined the Church he came to America and settled in Nauvoo where he was the only Blacksmith. He later moved to Council Bluffs where he worked for three years to earn enough money to buy a fine set of blacksmith tools to take to Utah. After he arrived in Utah he was sent to Brigham City and was one of the first settlers to live in the old fort. He built the first house outside the fort in 1854. He was one of eight of the original directors under Lorenzo Snow in the United Order, which started in 1863. He practiced his trade through the years, often taking gold dust and other commodities for pay. He donated \$100.00 at one time to help Welch emigrants come to Utah. In 1877 he was called by Brigham Young to help settle and organize the city of Malad, Idaho. There is a city park in Brigham City called the Rees Park in honor of this great pioneer colonizer.

CHILDHOOD

I spent my early childhood on a farm in Benson, Utah, northwest of Logan. I moved with my family to Smithfield, Utah, at the age of 12 after my father became ill and had to sell the farm.

When growing up in Smithfield I worked during the summer months for my uncle, who for several years had the largest acreage of pole beans in Cache Valley. I also helped my parents, who operated a confectionary and banquet hall. Educated in the Cache County schools, I graduated from North Cache High School and Seminary in 1944.

WW II VETERAN

I served in the Merchant Marines in the South Pacific during World War



D. Wesley Reese

II, where I helped transport troops and equipment. Also served one year in the army and was again sent to the South Pacific and spent most of that time in the Philippines.

I married Barbara Nelson, also of Smithfield, Utah, on July 12, 1946, in the Logan Temple while on furlough from the Army.

After being discharged from the army I attended school at Utah State Agricultural College. Later I operated a retail coal yard and a small farm. I also owned and rented a three-unit apartment house. In 1957 I began working for Mountain Fuel Supply Co. where I am still employed as a service dispatcher.

FAMILY

I have four children and the two oldest daughters are married. A 15-year-old daughter is a student at the Logan Jr. High. One son, who has recently returned from the California Oakland Mission, is a student at Utah State University and will be married next March. I have four grandchildren and another expected.

I have been active in the LDS Church all my life. I have worked in the Sunday School Superintendency, as advisor to Priests group, Elders quorum counselor and president, assistant to two stake genealogical chairmen, assistant scoutmaster, Seventy group leader, one of the seven presidents of Seventy and presently serve as ward clerk in the Logan 20th ward.

SUP ACTIVITIES

I joined the Sons of Utah Pioneers in 1964 through the influence of my father who was a member, and I have been grateful to him for this. I also joined the Mormon Battalion at that time. I have served as secretary to three chapter presidents, director for three years, chapter president for 1½ years and national vice president for Cache area in 1973 (filling the vacancy of Earl Hansen, who became ill), and then was re-elected in 1974 at Squaw Valley, California. I was elected national president-elect in September 1975 at Kanab. I am also now serving as company commander of company D. in the Mormon Battalion.

I own a truck and camper and very much enjoy camping in the mountains in the clean, fresh air, and we love to hike in the timber and wild flowers.



Christian John Swaner

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John, Joseph, William, Reuben F. (my father), Fred and Martha.

At the very young age of 37 years Christian passed from this life, leaving his young wife and family. He died September 18, 1881 and was known as one of the stalwart builders of this Great Salt Lake Valley.

An Honorable Mention Essay In PTA Contest

The Spirit of '76 — Miracle of America

by Warren Lloyd

It all started from an idea, a dream. Boys, perhaps 15 years old, left home. Some of these boys would never return. They left home for a belief, for freedom. War didn't sound too nice to them, but the thought of freedom carried them through the biting cold at Valley Forge.

The Continental Army, made up of farmers and settlers, were poorly armed and found themselves pitted against the well-trained soldiers of the British King. The Yankees knew that freedom wouldn't come easily, if it would even come at all, but the fire in their spirits burned and drove them on through the hard months ahead. Those boys who fought and survived came back men.

Thousands of soldiers gave their lives for their country, for their dream of freedom. They anticipated a time when they could plainly see the red, white and blue of an American flag flying over the shops of an ever-expanding nation.

When the struggle was finally over, America began the mighty task of rebuilding, replanting and repairing a badly injured country. In the years that followed, the new Americans stormed to this country from all corners of the earth. Each brought part of his heritage, skills and talents to help refine this new country. This spark caught like wildfire.

But then, the sounds of war again rang out through the country. A mere ninety years later America would be put to the test again. This time it wasn't two nations fighting, but rather it was one nation divided, brother against brother. The issue was slavery. Was it the right of one man to own another man? President Abraham Lincoln, the 16th President of the United States of America, led the nation through the bitterness of a civil war, and eventually gave his life for his dream.

A NEW TYPE OF ENEMY

Today, America is not fighting an enemy abroad. Rather we are fighting ourselves. Our enemies are dishonesty, moral decay and laziness, and worst of all, lack of interest in what's going on.

In a recent edition of the *U.S. News and World Report* it was found that fraud in the construction of the Alaskan pipeline projects had cost U.S. citizens more than a billion dollars.

Another example of moral decay was the shocking truth about government corruption uncovered during the Watergate investigations. Each day brought new revelations of corruption and dishonesty in our government.

Our country is faced with a rapidly rising crime rate, with an increase in drug abuse and shoplifting. Broken families are becoming more numerous. Again, 200 years later 15 year olds are leaving home. Again, they may never return. But this time it isn't for their country that they're leaving. They aren't fighting for America. In most cases their reasons are much more selfish. They're rebelling against society, but they are society! Our country can only be as good as each individual makes it.

In 1976 a miracle can happen again just as it did in 1776, if we too will work for an idea, a dream. We can make it happen by working individually at being honest and more self-disciplined, and by caring about other people. This dream can make this country even better than it was in 1776. *Will you do your part?*

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Women's Section of the SUP Seminar

Featuring the accomplishments of women in Utah and the observance of the bicentennial year, the women's section of the National SUP President's Seminar convened at the Garden Heights Ward in Salt Lake City.

The session commenced with an explanation of the display which portrayed books, pamphlets, etc. by Utah women authors. Included was a work on Ghost towns of Utah. Each woman present received a map of all Utah Ghost towns which included a short description of each town.

Featuring the town of Alta, which was born because of the need for mining, flourished during the early days, died due to the catastrophes of fire and snow slides, and was born again as a skier's paradise, was a melodrama. This play told in story and drama the actual experience of some of the early Alta residents. The story which made the plot outline for the melodrama was a true account.

Following the melodrama the Bountiful Belles sang two numbers. As they concluded singing "Tulips and Heather" small vials of perfume were passed to each lady in attendance.

Marion Mangum, Utah author, delighted the audience with the review of her book, *Polygamist Wife*. This is the true story of one woman's experience in living in polygamy in Utah today. The audience had many questions and observations to add to the review. Everyone present was intensely interested in the book and the outstanding presentation by Mrs. Mangum.

Many door prizes were presented to the women who had winning numbers on their name badges.

The section was planned and directed by Eileen Dunyon and Elma Johnson, presiding.

Chapter Eternal

Dr. Reed Farnsworth

LIFE MEMBER 8-11-73

CEDAR CITY—Dr. Reed W. Farnsworth, who delivered more than 6,000 babies during his 37 years of medical service to this community, died May 22, 1976, in a Salt Lake City hospital. He was 71.



Dr. Farnsworth died of complications following surgery.

He retired about a year ago, after a distinguished career that began in 1938.

He has twice served as president of the Cedar City Medical Society. In 1958, Dr. Farnsworth was elected president of the Utah State Medical Association and was a member of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield Board from 1951 to 1958.

In Cedar City, Dr. Farnsworth served as president or chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Sons of Utah Pioneers, Lions Club, Cedar City Art Committee, Cedar City Library Board, Escalante Knife and Fork Club, Zion Natural History Assn., Iron County Historical Society, Southern Utah Foundation and Cedar City Rotary.

For six years he was a member of the Utah State University Board of Trustees, and from 1965 to 1975 he was vice president of the Southern Utah State College Institutional Council.

In 1971, Dr. Farnsworth was recipient of the Utah State Medical Association Community Service Award, which is given to the physician contributing most to his community in nonprofessional service.

Born April 9, 1905, in Beaver, to Franklin D. and Mary Ann White Farnsworth. He was married August 9, 1938 — shortly after graduating from George Washington University Medical School — to Ethel Walker in the Salt Lake Temple.

Dr. Farnsworth remained active in the church.

He is survived by his wife, three sons: Jerold W., San Diego; Dr. Ken W., Goldsboro, N.C.; David S., Gurney, Ill.; a daughter, Mrs. Michael (Joan) Cannon, Los Alamos, N.M.; eight grandchildren; two brothers: Norman, Provo; Howard, Orem; and a sister, Mrs. Ernest Joseph, Beaver.

Paul Pehrson

Salt Lake businessman and civic leader Paul L. Pehrson, 67, 1713 Orchard Drive (3610 South) died May 28, 1976, at his home of an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Pehrson was the owner of Pehrson Hardware Store, a firm he cofounded in 1944. He bought sole control of the business in 1949.

He was president of the Sugar House Chamber of Commerce in 1950 and 1956 and was one of the originators of Sugar Days and Turkey Days. He was also a former director of the Rotary Club.

He was chairman of the Salt Lake County Chapter of the American Red Cross in 1950.

An active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he had been a stake high counselor in three stakes, former bishop of the Valley View 6th Ward and was president of the Danish Mission from 1969 to 1972.

He was born June 9, 1908, in Pleasant Green to Nels F. and Estella Little Pehrson. He graduated from Cyprus High School. He married Ruth Ellefsen September 27, 1933, in the Salt Lake Temple.



Moroni Wallace

Moroni B. "Wally" Wallace, 73, of 465 W. 300 No., Provo, died Friday, May 21, 1976, in American Falls, Idaho.

He was born on October 9, 1903 in Alberta, Canada, to Noble Davis and Mary Eliza Bennion Wallace. He married Sarah Edith Earl on March 6, 1923 in Farmington, Davis County. The marriage was solemnized later in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. She died July 23, 1975.

He served as high priest in the Provo Third LDS Ward. He was active in the LDS Church.

Mr. Wallace worked as comptroller for Taylors Inc. in Provo. He was a member of the Provo Lions Club, Mendelssohn chorus, a charter member of the Provo Knife and Fork Club and the George Albert Smith SUP chapter.

Survivors include two sons: Earl M. Wallace, Salt Lake City, and Frank M. Wallace, Aberdeen, Idaho; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; two brothers and two sisters, Mrs. Arvilla W. Jones, Provo; Mrs. Taft (Mary) Wrathall, Seattle; Clarence Noble Wallace, Los Angeles; and Hyrum Mervin Wallace, Salt Lake City.



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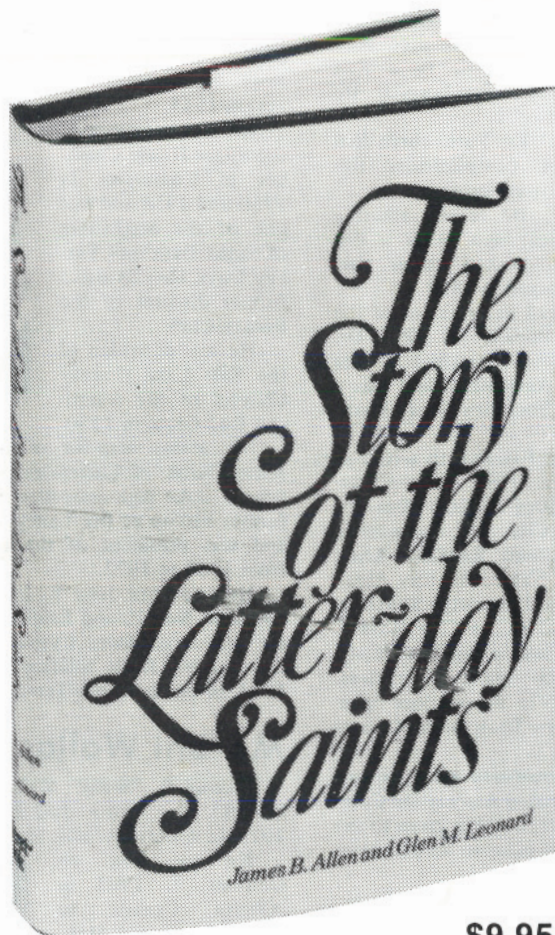
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